

# *The Surf Pines Breeze*

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The Association Newsletter for All Members

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

In the next few months, a number of events important to Surf Pines members will occur. We outline them here so you can plan to attend.

Special Meeting of Members On July 16, at 10:00 a.m. at the Astoria Country Club, the Association will hold a meeting of members to approve changes in the Bylaws and one change in the Articles of Incorporation and to adopt a set of codes, covenants and restrictions (CC&Rs).

You will shortly receive full statements and explanations of the proposed changes and CC&Rs and ballots for those who cannot attend the meeting in person. The Board has given much thought to these proposals and feels that they are in the best interests of all owners in Surf Pines. Our reason for holding a special meeting to pass these changes is to permit us to complete assembling the Handbook in time to distribute it at the annual meeting in September.

We urge all members to give prompt, careful attention to the mailing on the Bylaws and CC&Rs and to reply in a timely fashion if you cannot be present on July 16. We hope, of course, that you will approve our recommendations.

A further reminder from the Astoria Country Club: their dress code (no denims, no short shorts, no tank tops) should be respected at the meeting.

Street Party to Celebrate Summer On July 16, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. the hospitality committee is organizing a street party on Lucas Drive for all Surf Piners. Please see the enclosed announcement for particulars and plan to bring some food and come to mingle with your neighbors. An exceptionally fine summer evening has been requested from the powers that be so that nothing dampens our enthusiasm. Further prayers to that effect will be appreciated.

Cleanup of Downed Trees and Brush We expect to devote Saturday, July 23, to a general cleanup effort in hopes of reducing the amount of fire-hazardous material in yards and vacant lots before the dry season arrives. (See p.3 about the fire.)

All those who can contribute time, energy, expertise and if possible a truck for hauling debris to the dump will be heartily welcomed. We hope to have a large turnout of help. Volunteers should contact Mary Jane Currier (738-4381) for further information and to sign up.



Residents or owners of vacant land who would like help in clearing their property should also let Mary Jane know and we will try to organize what's needed. If you have damaged trees that need to come down or felled trees that must be cut and hauled away, here are the names of some tree services you can contact to do the work:

David Kurns Tree Service (CCB #80196)  
1118 South Holladay Drive, Seaside  
738-0362

Bjorn's Tree Service (BB #80237)  
3124 19th Pl., #7, Forest Grove, OR 97116  
(503) 697-1523

Prices for such services vary greatly; it is well to get quotes in advance.

Several young people in Surf Pines are available to work for residents, doing mowing, cutting and other garden or yard work: Ben Currier (738-4381), Bryan Johnston (738-7958), and Joel Morrison (738-0130). If anyone else is looking for such work, let the BREEZE know (put a note in the drop box by Ken's house) and we'll pass your name along.

Annual Meeting Date of the annual meeting of members has been set for September 17. Time and place will be announced later.

### **SAFETY CONCERNS:**

Speed and Death *Several weeks ago, I saw death on the street where I live. A car driving past my driveway at 45 mph caught my attention by the look of shock on the occupants' faces.*

*I slowed, looked left, and saw a cat that had just been hit. An orange cat with white stripes, once regal, now writhing; neck twisted at an awful angle, legs useless, eyes black in the morning sunshine.*

*It is this darkness of the pupils of the cat's eyes that haunts me; the darkness of death in that cat's eyes. I've been around, seen a lot. This image aroused my fear of my own young children's death.*

*One instant a creature is vital, glowing, robust, loved. The next instant, twisted, cold, disfigured, mourned. SLOW DOWN.*

John Orr

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Speed Limit in Surf Pines PLEASE SLOW DOWN!!! Surf Pines has established a speed limit of 25 mph in order to protect our children, pets, and wildlife. But, we have a serious speeding problem. In addition to the cat whose death is described above, other pets and at least one deer have been killed by speeding motorists. One child is known to have been hit but fortunately was not seriously injured. We do not want to have a death or serious injury to a resident before we take our speed limit seriously.



## PLEASE DO YOUR PART AND OBSERVE THE SPEED LIMIT

New, larger speed signs are being erected to remind all drivers in Surf Pines to respect the lives and welfare of all members of our community. We especially request parents of young drivers to supervise the driving habits of their children and to caution them often about the dangers of speeding. Please also caution your visitors and any service or construction workers you employ to observe the 25 mph limit and to be alert for children and animals on our roads.

### NEWS:

Bookkeeper Surf Pines Association has a new bookkeeper. Her name is Susan Woodford. Please send all payments to this new address: Surf Pines Association, c/o Post Office Box 845, Seaside, OR 97138. Most other communications can be sent to 2003 Manion Drive, Warrenton, OR 97146, or can be placed in the drop box beside our mailbox.

Zoning Question On June 14, at its regular meeting, the Clatsop County Planning Commission decided to continue, until its meeting of September 6, consideration of the application to rezone five acres west of Strawberry Hill. A number of Surf Pines members have been concerned about this application and have signed petitions asking that it be rejected. The petitions were delivered to the planning office and will, presumably, be considered by the Commission when it deals with the request on September 6. These meetings are open to the public.

Land Dispute The other land dispute involving the beach accretions west of Surf Pines Beach Addition, has been settled. The upland owners will retain title to beach front property, receiving bargain and sale deeds from Mr. James Lucas. Terms of the settlement are not available for publication.

Fire On June 20, around 1:00 p.m., a fire broke out in the dune grass on the west side of Ocean Drive not far south of Horizon Lane. For an account of how the fire was handled and its cause, see THE PIPELINE.

The fire agencies and Department of Forestry are extremely worried about the danger of a serious fire in Surf Pines. Burning restrictions will be in force from the beginning of July; permits to burn any material must be obtained from the Department of Forestry in Astoria (325-7215).

Mowing at this season is highly dangerous. Regulations and guidelines about cutting beach grass are available from the U. S. Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service (325-4571) and the Forestry Department. PLEASE consult one or both agencies before mowing grass or burning refuse - and follow their instructions.